

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-5 (Canceled).

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A film-laminated flat conductor, comprising:

thermoplastic polyurethane films; and

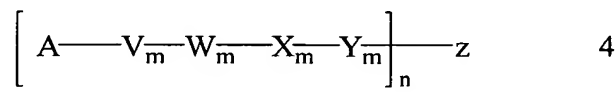
at least one metal strip between said films,

wherein said thermoplastic polyurethane is a stabilized thermoplastic polyurethane (TPU) comprising

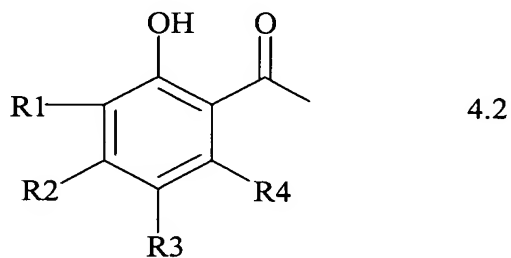
(i) 0.1 to 5% by weight of one or more phenolic antioxidants and

(ii) 0.01 to 2.5% by weight of one or more metal deactivators selected from the group consisting of triazole derivatives of salicylaldehyde and hydrazine derivatives of salicylaldehyde, based on the total weight of the TPU,

wherein the triazole derivatives of salicylaldehyde and hydrazine derivatives of salicylaldehyde have the following formula 4:



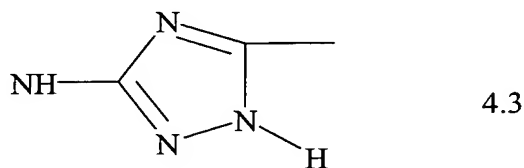
wherein A is a salicylaldehyde radical according to formula 4.2:



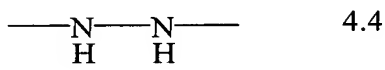
wherein R1-R4, independently of one another, are H; OH, halogen, NO₂, NH₂, a linear, branched or cyclic C1-C12 alkyl radical, a linear, branched or cyclic C1-C12 alkenyl, a linear, branched or cyclic C1-C12 alkynyl radical or haloalkyl radical, a linear, branched or

cyclic C1-C12 alkoxy radical, a linear, branched or cyclic C1-C12 alkylamino radical, containing primary and/or secondary and/or tertiary amines, a linear, branched or cyclic C1-C12 alkylthio radical or a linear, branched or cyclic C1-C12 alkoxy carbonyl radical,

V_m is a triazole radical according to formula 4.3:



or a hydrazine radical according to formula 4.4:



W_m and Y_m are absent or, independently of one another, are a carbonyl group,

X_m is absent or is a hydrogen atom, a linear or branched C1-C30 alkylene radical, a linear, branched or cyclic C1-C30 alkenyl radical, a linear, branched or cyclic C1-C30 alkynylene radical, a linear, branched or cyclic C1-C30 alkoxy radical or a linear, branched or cyclic C1-C30 alkylamino radical containing primary amino groups,

z is optional and is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a carbon atom, an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a nitrogen atom, an NH_{3-o} group, a phosphorus atom, a methyl radical, a methenyl radical, a methynyl radical, a monovalent, divalent or trivalent to hexavalent diol radical, a triol radical, a polyol radical having a higher OH than 3 functionality, or an amino alcohol or diamine radical,

n is an integer from 1 to 6,

m is an integer from 1 to n, and

o in the expression NH_{3-o} is an integer from 1 to 3.

Claims 7-8 (Canceled).

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): A process for the production of said film-laminated flat conductor as claimed in claim 6, the process comprising:

providing two thermoplastic polyurethane (TPU) films and then incorporating metal strips between said two films or coextruding TPU films with one or more metal strips.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): A method of preparing a means of transport, an electrical apparatus or a machine, said method comprising:

preparing said film-laminated flat conductor as claimed in claim 6 in the form of said means of transport, said electric apparatus or said machine.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): An electrical apparatus, machine and/or means of transport comprising said film-laminated flat conductor as claimed in claim 6.

Claim 12-17 (Canceled).

Claim 18 (Previously Presented): The film-laminated flat conductor as claimed in claim 6, comprising:

two thermoplastic polyurethane films; and
at least one metal strip laminated between said two films.

Claim 19 (Previously Presented): The film-laminated flat conductor as claimed in claim 6, comprising:

thermoplastic polyurethane films coextruded with metal strips.

Claim 20 (Canceled).

Claim 21 (Currently Amended): The film-laminated flat conductor as claimed in claim [[20]] 6, further comprising (iii) one or more flameproofing agents.

Claim 22 (Previously Presented): The film-laminated flat conductor as claimed in claim 6, comprising:

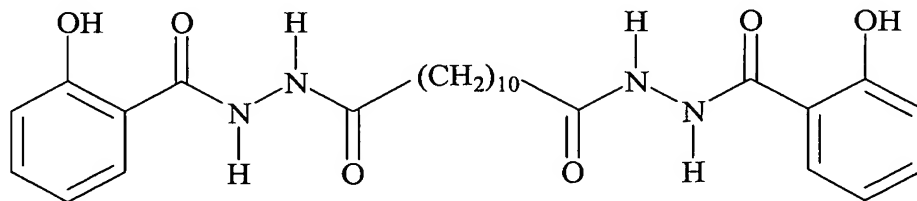
two films of thermoplastic polyurethane adhering to one another, a metal strip or a plurality of metal strips having a thickness of from 1 to 500 μm being laminated between said films.

Claim 23 (Canceled).

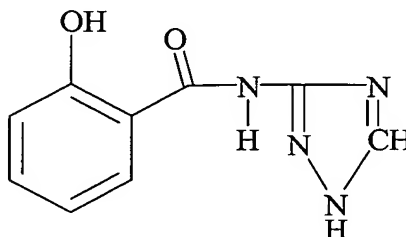
Claim 24 (Currently Amended): The film-laminated flat conductor as claimed in claim [[23]] 6, wherein V_m is a triazole radical according to formula 4.3.

Claim 25 (Currently Amended): The film-laminated flat conductor as claimed in claim [[23]] 6, wherein V_m is a hydrazine radical according to formula 4.4.

Claim 26 (Currently Amended): The film-laminated flat conductor as claimed in claim [[20]] 29, wherein component (ii) has the following formula:



Claim 27 (Currently Amended): The film-laminated flat conductor as claimed in claim [[20]] 29, wherein component (ii) has the following formula:

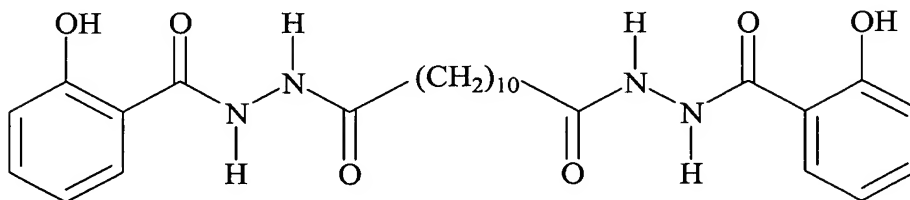


Claim 28 (Previously Presented): The film-laminated flat conductor as claimed in claim 6, wherein said films have a thickness of from 25 to 250 μ m.

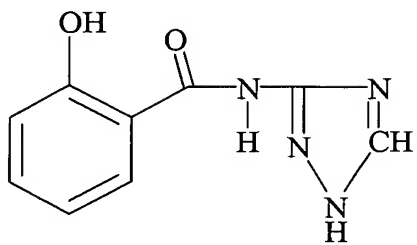
Claim 29 (New): A film-laminated flat conductor, comprising:
thermoplastic polyurethane films; and
at least one metal strip between said films,
wherein said thermoplastic polyurethane is a stabilized thermoplastic polyurethane (TPU) comprising

- (i) 0.1 to 5% by weight of one or more phenolic antioxidants and
- (ii) 0.01 to 2.5% by weight of:

a compound of the formula:



or a compound of the formula:



as a metal deactivator.

DISCUSSION OF THE AMENDMENT

Claim 6 has been amended by incorporating the subject matter of Claim 23 therein; Claims 7, 20 and 23 have been canceled. Claims 21, 24 and 25 have been amended to depend on Claim 6.

New Claim 29 has been added, and is based on the combination of the subject matter of Claims 26 and 27. Claims 26 and 27 have each been amended to depend on Claim 29.

No new matter is believed to have been added by the above amendment. With entry thereof, Claims 6, 9-11, 18, 19, 21, 22 and 24-29 will be pending in the application.